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FOR EMBASSY CAPE TOWN

CAPE TOWN PLEASE PASS TO AMBASSADOR MCHENRY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORG, SF, WA
SUBJECT: NAMIBIA; CONTACT GROUP MEETING OF APRIL 6

REF: USUN 01261

1. SUMMARY. DURING MEETING APRIL 6 CONTACT GROUP
DISCUSSED FURTHER PROCEDURAL PREPARATIONS FOR SECURITY
COUNCIL ACTION ON NAMIBIA. PARA THREE BELOW CONTAINS
DRAFT TEXT OF COVER LETTER TO BE USED BY FIVE IN
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TRANSMITTING PROPOSAL TO SECURITY COUNCIL.
END SUMMARY.

2. CONTACT GROUP MET AM APRIL 6 TO DISCUSS A VARIETY
OF MATTERS INVOLVED IN THE PREPARATIONS FOR GOING TO
THE SECURITY COUNCIL. THE MEETING WAS NOTABLY
RELAXED AND BUSINESS LIKE WITH THE ATMOSPHERE CONTRASTING

MARKEDLY FROM THE EMOTIONALISM OF THE PREVIOUS
DAY'S DISCUSSION OF WALVIS BAY (REFTEL).

3. THE CONTACT GROUP BEGAN THE MEETING BY AGREEING
ON A DRAFT TEXT OF A COVER LETTER FOR USE IN TRANSMITTING
THE PROPOSAL TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT. THE LETTER
WOULD BE SIGNED BY THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES
OF CHARGES OF THE WESTERN FIVE MISSIONS TO THE UN.

DRAFT TEXT FOLLOWS:

-- ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM OUR GOVERNMENTS WE HAVE THE
HONOUR TO TRANSMIT TO YOU A PROPOSAL FOR A SETTLEMENT
OF THE NAMIBIAN SITUATION AND TO REQUEST THAT IT BE
CIRCULATED AS AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT OF THE SECURITY
COUNCIL.

-- THE OBJECTIVE OF OUR PROPOSAL IS THE INDEPENDENCE
OF NAMIBIA IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION 385, ADOPTED
UNANIMOUSLY BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON 30 JANUARY 1976.
WE ARE CONTINUING TO WORK TOWARDS THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE PROPOSAL. END TEXT.

4. THE CANADIANS, FRENCH, AND GERMANS THEN INDICATED
THAT THEIR CAPITALS HAD APPROVED THE CONTACT GROUP'S
PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR ACTION IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL,
INCLUDING THE DRAFT TALKING POINTS FOR THE APRIL 7
DEMARCHES TO SWAPO AND SOUTH AFRICA (REFTEL). WE AND
THE BRITISH STATED THAT WE HAD NOT YET RECEIVED
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INSTRUCTIONS. THE BRITISH ADDED THAT THEY UNDERSTOOD
UNOFFICIALLY THAT LONDON HAS NO PROBLEMS WITH THE
SCHEDULE OR THE TALKING POINTS.

5. IN BRIEF ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION OF SCHEDULE,
POLCOUNS NOTED THE POSSIBILITY THAT U.S.,
AS SECURITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT, WOULD HAVE TO CONVENE
INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON THE
MIDDLE EAST EARLY IN THE WEEK OF APRIL 10 (SEPTTEL).
GROUP AGREED THAT IF THAT SITUATION ARISES, ONE OF THE
FIVE SHOULD BE DESIGNATED TO STATE JUST BEFORE CONCLUSION
OF THE CONSULTATIONS THAT:

(A) THE FIVE HAVE FORMALLY TRANSMITTED THE PROPOSAL
TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT;
(B) WE ARE CONTINUING TO WORK TOWARDS THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE PROPOSAL; AND
(C) WE WILL WANT A MEETING OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL
SHORTLY AND WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH THE SECURITY COUNCIL
PRESIDENT WITH REGARD TO HOLDING CONSULTATIONS LATER
IN THE WEEK.

6. A NUMBER OF OTHER ISSUES RAISED DURING THE CONTACT

GROUP MEETING ARE BEING REPORTED SEPTTEL. LEONARD

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